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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

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### AFRICA.

*Report from Cape Colony—Plague—Examination for plague and plague-infected rodents.*

*Report of the medical officer of health on the state of plague in Cape Colony, week ended May 28, 1904.*

*Port Elizabeth.*—One case of plague was discovered during the week, namely, a colored male on the 26th instant. At the plague hospital, no patients died or were discharged recovered. Six cases remain under treatment. One hundred and eighty-one rats (48 found dead) and 95 mice (11 found dead) were bacteriologically examined during the week, of which 41 rats and 9 mice proved to be plague-infected.

*Grahamstown.*—Two dead rats which were discovered on the railway premises on the 26th instant were submitted for bacteriological examination and proved to be plague-infected.

*Other places.*—At East London, Uitenhage, Queenstown, King Williams Town and Knysna, no case of plague was discovered in man or animal.

### CAPE TOWN.

*Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.*—Number of rodents examined, 201; nothing found suspicious of plague.

*Cape Town municipal area.*—Number of rodents examined by the medical officer of health for the city, 295; nothing found suspicious of plague.

A. JOHN GREGORY,  
*Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.*

*Week ended June 4, 1904.*

*Port Elizabeth.*—No case of plague was discovered during the week. At the plague hospital one Chinese male was discharged recovered. Six cases remain under treatment. Two hundred and six rats (24 found dead) and 126 mice (6 found dead) were bacteriologically examined during the week, of which 13 rats and 3 mice proved to be plague infected.

*Grahamstown.*—Plague-infected rodents continued to be found on the railway premises during the week.

*Other places.*—At East London, Uitenhage, Queenstown, King William's Town, and Knysna no case of plague in man or animals was discovered.

## CAPE TOWN.

*Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.*—Number of rodents examined, 418; nothing found suspicious of plague.

*Cape Town municipal area.*—Number of rodents examined by the medical officer of health for the city, 425; nothing found suspicious of plague.

J. A. MITCHELL,  
*Acting Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.*

## BRAZIL.

*Reports from Bahia—Mortuary statistics.*

Consul Furniss reports, June 6, 13, and 20, as follows:

During the week ended June 4, 1904, 100 bodies were interred in the Bahia cemeteries. Causes of death: Alcoholism, 1; aneurism, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 7; beriberi, 4; Bright's disease, 2; bronchitis, 3; cancer, 1; cerebral congestion, 3; cirrhosis of liver, 2; death by violence, 1; diabetes, 1; diarrhea and dysentery, 13; fibroma, 1; influenza, 1; malarial fevers, 2; nephritis, 2; organic diseases of heart, 2; pneumonia, 2; pulmonary tuberculosis, 22; senile debility, 4; still-born, 4; syphilis, 2; tetanus neonatorum, 2; other causes, 17.

Week ended June 11, 1904, 97 bodies. Causes of death: Alcoholism, 2; arterio-sclerosis, 1; beriberi, 7; Bright's disease, 1; bronchitis, 4; cerebral congestion, 1; cirrhosis of liver, 3; diarrhea and dysentery, 15; erysipelas, 2; gangrene, 1; hepatitis, 1; influenza, 1; lymphangitis, 1; malarial fevers, 7; meningitis, 1; organic diseases of heart, 3; pneumonia, 1; pulmonary tuberculosis, 11; rachitis, 1; senile debility, 5; still born, 3; tetanus neonatorum, 2; other causes, 22.

Week ended June 18, 1904: 95 bodies. Causes of death: Aneurism, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 1; beriberi, 7; Bright's disease, 1; cerebral congestion, 3; diarrhea and dysentery, 17; gangrene, 1; hepatitis, 2; influenza, 1; intestinal parasites, 1; malarial fevers, 7; meningitis, 2; nephritis, 1; organic diseases of heart, 3; pneumonia, 3; pulmonary tuberculosis, 17; rheumatism, 1; senile debility, 1; septicemia, 1; stillborn, 2; syphilis, 2; tetanus neonatorum, 3; other causes, 17.

*Plague at Bahia.*

[Cablegram.]

BAHIA, BRAZIL, July 9, 1904.

Five cases plague; 2 deaths.

FURNISS.

*Reports from Rio de Janeiro—Smallpox and yellow fever—Epidemic dysentery in Pernambuco—Sanitary conditions at Port Alegre—Recrudescence of plague.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, July 7, 8 and 10, as follows:

During the week ended June 4, 1904, one vessel left this port for the United States, i. e., the steamship *Byron*, of the Lamport and Holt Line, on the 2d instant, for New York, N. Y., with a cargo of coffee; 3 new members of the crew taken on at this port, 13 first-class,